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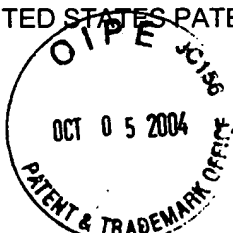
In re application of:

Tsuyoshi YOKOTA, et al.

Serial No: 09/821,730

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For: ORDER ALLOCATION MANAGEMENT METHOD
AND ORDER ALLOCATION MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

Art Unit: 3627

Examiner: Florian M. Zeender

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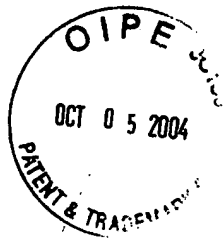
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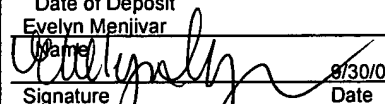
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the office communication dated September 1, 2004, and in further response to the restriction requirement mailed May 3, 2004, the period for response to which is extended by four months by the enclosed petition to October 3, 2004.

Election of Invention I

Applicant elects for prosecution the invention of Group I, claims 1-5 and 6-38, drawn to an order allocation management method.

Election of Species I

Applicant elects for prosecution species I, on which claims 1-5 and 6-22 are readable.

Any fees due in connection with this response, including the fees for a four month extension of time, may be charged to our Deposit Account No. 50-1314.

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